Attorney Docket No.: 3COM-2496.IPG.US.F

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In re Application of: LOWE et al.

Application No.: 09/371,463

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL (SUBSECTION(B) OF 35 U.S.C. § 132)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 for the aboveidentified application.

1.	Submission required under a filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114						
	a.	[] Previously submitted					
		i. [] Consider the amendment(s)/ reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116					

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)

[] Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on

iii. [] Other

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[X] Amendment/Reply i.

ii. · [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. [] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. [X] Other Terminal Disclaimer \$130.00

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37	a.	[] Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months: Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(I) required)
	b.	Other

Extension of Term

- 3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.
 - (a) [X] Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below.)

Extension	<u>Fee</u>		
[X] one month	\$120.00		
[] two months	\$450.00		
[] three months	\$11,20.00		
[] four months	\$1,590.00		
[] five months	\$2,160.00		
• •	Fee \$ 120.00		

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(b) [] Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEES DUE

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

CLAIMS								
	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEES			
Basic Applicati	\$790.00							
Total Claims	21	- 20=	1	X \$50 =	\$50.00			
Independent Claims	3	- 3=	0	X \$200 =	\$0.00			
If multiple depo	\$0.00							
TOTAL APPLI	\$840.00							

PAYMENT OF FEES

1. The full fee due in connection with this communication is provided as follows:

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- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.: 23-0085.

 A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed.
- [X] A check in the amount of \$_970.00
- [X] A check in the amount of \$ 120.00
- [] Charge any fees required or credit any overpayments associated with this filing to Deposit Account No.: 23-0085.

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